

**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicants : Satoru Shimizu, *et al.*  
Sserial No. : 10/728,847  
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For : METHOD FOR PROVIDING POWER PLANT  
MAINTENANCE SERVICES  
Art Unit : 2857 Confirmation No. 9229  
Examiner : Mohamed Charioui

**AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION**

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Sir:

In response to the final Office Action dated April 17, 2007, the following amendments and remarks are submitted. With this response, Applicant petitions for a one month extension of time thereby extending the response period until August 17, 2007. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge any additional fees or credit any overpayment in connection with this paper to Deposit Account No. 11-0600.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing beginning on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 4 of this paper.